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The

Comins Family

DESCENDANTS OF

John Comins of Woburn, Mass.

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In the early Massachusetts records William Cummings of Salem is the first man mentioned with a name similar to the name of Comins. He lived in that town in 1630, and is thought to be the ancestor of all the families of similar name in Massachusetts.

The name in early records is spelled Cummings, Cumins, Comings and Comins.

THE COMINS FAMILY

The First Generation.

A. JOHN COMINS, born 1668 at Woburn, Mass., died April 1751 at Thompson, Ct., married Mary———.

Children—(B) John,
(C) Mary
(D) John
(E) Jacob,
(F) Josiah,
(G) Stephen,
(H) James,

In January 1709 John Comins bought 150 acres at Pomfret, Ct., in 1719 he moved to Oxford, Mass., buying the "Old Hill" property. He was chosen First Selectman in 1721, 1723 and 1724. In 1720 he was one of a committee to secure a minister for the church, and the Church Society was organized at his house January 18, 1721.

The Second Generation.

E. JACOB COMINS, (A) born July 14, 1700, at Woburn, Mass., married Martha Leonard, of Farmingham, Mass., who died in 1732; married Huldah, daughter of Deacon John Coolidge of Watertown, who died Nov. 25, 1736; married Feb. 22, 1737 Elizabeth Eddy, who died April 26, 1749; married 1750, Deborah Hinkley; he lived in Oxford, Mass., died 1762 at Charlton, Mass.

Children—(1) William,
(2) Reuben,
(3) Mindwell,
(4) Martha,
(5) Elizabeth
(6) Lemuel,
(7) Jacob

Jacob Comins lived in Oxford on the hill east of the Common previous to 1736 when he bought a new mill on the Lamb place, Sergeant in the French and Indian War, finally settled in Charlton on wild land. The Comins family of Eddington town, Maine, are descended from his son William (1). The descendants now live in Worcester of Reuben, and Lemuel's descendant now live near Greene, Maine.

THE COMINS FAMILY

The Third Generation.

1.

1. WILLIAM COMINS, (B. A), born Feb. 15, 1734, at Oxford, Mass, died 1784 at Charlton, Mass., married Hannah Hammond of Warwick, Franklin Co., born July 29, 1740, her parents names Jonas Hammond and Elizabeth Miller.

Children—(2) Jonas
(3) James
(4) William
(8) Hannah
(5) Coolidge
(6) Hindwell
(7) Margaret
(8a.) Elizabeth

William Comins was a private in the French and Indian War, and First Lieutenant in Captain William Tucker's Sixth Company (First Charlton) 5th Worcester County Regiment Massachusetts militia in the Revolution.

He served at Dobbs Ferry, Tarrytown and North Castle. Commission dated April 4, 1776.

The Fourth Generation.

2.

JONAS COMINS, (1, E, A), born 1767, died 1854, married twice, served in the Revolution in early youth, lived in Charlton, Calais, Vt., and for the last six years of his life at Corinth, Maine.

Children—(9) Jeremiah
(10) Calvin
(11) Martha
(12) Abigail

3.

JAMES COMINS, (1, E, A), born March 19, 1768, at Charlton, Mass., married (1st) Anna Rider (born Sept. 2, 1769; died Nov. 1817); (2nd) Nancy Kellogg of Amherst, Mass., died March 31, 1835.

Children—(13) Asa
(14) Margaret
(15) Nancy
(16) Julia Ann
(17) Simon Forbes
(18) Stephen Decatur

James Comins was appointed Ensign in the Fourth Regiment of Massachusette Infantry by Governor Caleb Strong in 1800. Commissioned Captain in 1802. Moved from Charlton to Leverett, Mass., about 1810.

4.

WILLIAM COMINS, (1, E, A), married Sallie Spurr of Charlton.

Children—(19) Jesse
(20) Charles
(21) William
(22) John S.
(23) Nancy
(24) Mary

William Comins was the Captain of the Charlton militia company before moving to Eddington, Maine about 1802.

THE COMINS FAMILY

Fourth Generation (continued)

5.

COOLIDGE COMINS, (1, E, A), born at Charlton, March 23, 1770, died at East Eddington, Maine, Aug. 20, 1848; married Margaret Mansfield, (born 1773, died 1850), daughter of John Mansfield of Boston and Katherine Ryan of Leicester, Mass., moved to East Eddington in June 1803.

Children—(25) Katherine
(26) William J.
(27) Coolidge
(28) Benjamin Vassal
(29) Elijah
(30) Erastus M.
(31) Margaret Caroline

Coolidge Comins was Ensign in the Charlton militia company before moving to Maine. He served at Hampden in the War of 1812.

6.

MINDWELL COMINS, (1, E, A), born at Charlton, Mass., married Jonah Taylor; lived in Montpelier, Vt., for many years, died in Eddington, Maine.

Children—(32) Coolidge
(33) Mindwell
(34) Orpha
(35) Hannah
(36) Maria
(37) Elizabeth
(38) Patience Austin
(39) Mary

7.

MARGARET COMINS, (1. E, A), married William Holmes, lived in Montpelier, Vermont.

Children—(40) John
(41) William
(42) Harriet
(43) Margaret
(44) Horace
(45) Edward

8.

HANNAH COMINS, (1, E, A), married Nathaniel Spurr, and moved to New York State, no further record.

8a.

ELIZABETH COMINS, (1. E, A), born Aug. 8, 1781, married Asa Bacon of Charlton, Mass., no further records.

Fifth Generation.

9.

JEREMIAH COMINS, (2, 1, E, A), born in Charlton, married Mrs. Polly Toby White, moved to Calais, Vt., no children.

10.

CALVIN COMINS, (2, 1, E, A), born in Calais, Vt., married Cynthia Davis, moved to Passadumkeag, Me.,
Child—(46) Elmon.

11.

MARTHA COMINS, (2, 1, E, A), married William Bliss, moved to Arkansas.

Children—(47) Calvin
(48) Martha
(49) James

THE COMINS FAMILY

The Fifth Generation (continued)

12.

ABIGAIL COMINS, (2, 1, E, A), married Truman Eaton, lived in Corinth, Me., many years, died in California.

Children—(50) Delphina
(51) Cordelia
(52) Sarah
(53) Martha
(54) Leslie
(55) Emma R.

13.

ASA COMINS, (3, 1, E, A), born July 2, 1794 at Charlton, Mass, married (1st) Miss Smith, (2nd) Fidelia Nobles, after a life of farming and milling, died at Hadley, Mass., in 1871.

Children—(56) Coolidge
(57) Sophronia
(58) James
(59) Electra
(60) Harriet

16.

JULIA ANN COMINS, (3, 1, E,A), married Frary Field.

Children—(69a) Alfred
(69b) Brainerd

17.

SIMON FORBES COMINS, (3, 1, E, A), married Nancy Sweet of Eddington, Me.,

Children—(61) James
(62) Nancy
(63) Henry
(64) Martha

18.

STEPHEN DECATUR COMINS, married Roxanna———, lived near Miller's Falls, Mass.,

Children—(65) Isabel
(66) Arabell
(67) Clarabel
(68) John
(69) Herbert

19.

JESSE COMINS, (4, 1, E, A), born in Charlton, married Polly Eddy, grand-daughter of Colonel Jonathan Eddy, the grantee of Eddington town.

Children—(70) Angelina
(71) Redmond
(72) Sylvia
(74) Louisa
(75) Fanny
(76) Cordelia
(77) Laura
(78) Ann
(79) Mary Jane
(80) a son

20.

CHARLES COMINS, (4, 1, E, A), born in Charlton, married Mindwell Taylor, (33) his cousin, died at Eddington.

Children—(81) Orpha
(82) Elizabeth
(83) Mary
(84) Sarah
(85) Alden
(86) Margaret
(87) Edwin
(88) Dianthea
(88) Cyrus
(90) Elon R.

Charles Comins was a private in Captain Timothy Sibley's company of militia at Hampden in 1814.

The Fifth Generation (continued)

21.

WILLIAM COMINS, (4, 1, E, A), married Orpha Taylor, lived on ridge in Eddington.

Children—(91) Miranda
(92) William Granville
(93) Patience E.
(94) Laura Lucretia

22.

JOHN COMINS, (4, 1, E, A), married Rosamund Little.

Children—(96) Melvina
(97) Waldo
(98) Alonzo
(99) Melvin
(100) Rosamund
(101) Evelyn
(102) Abigail A.

23.

NANCY COMINS, (4, 1, E, A), married William Sibley.

Children—(103) William
(104) Sarah
(105) Elmira
(106) Amanda
(107) Nancy'

24.

MARY COMINS, (4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Joseph Little.

Children—(107a) John C.
(107b) Edwin C.

25.

KATHERINE COMINS, (5, 1, E, A), born in Charlton, June 27, 1799, married George Hart, died at Holden, Me., Aug. 31, 1877.

Children—(108) Horace G.
(109) Warren C.
(110) Elmon G.
(111) Hiram F.
(112) Charles F.
(113) Leonard J.
(114) Laura
(115) Benjamin G.
(116) Thomas J.
(117) Caroline G.
(118) Albert G.
(119) John N.
(120) Miranda A.

"The Harts lived at the old Hart homestead in Holden, four miles from East Eddington. George Hart was an energetic farmer with an aptness for mechanics, he had a blacksmith shop and tools, also shoemakers tools and for woodwork so that while they were raising their large family most of their blacksmithing, shoemaking, etc., was done in the family. Katherine managed in-doors with equal energy and prudence." (Elijah Comins Notes 1881)

26.

WILLIAM J. COMINS, (5, 1, E, A), born in Charlton, Mass., June 10, 1801, married Delia Davis, died in East Eddington, April 30, 1872.

Children—(121) Clarinda P.
(122) Cordelia D.
(123) Alexander Bradford.
(124) Emeline Z.
(125) Julia Ann

The Fifth Generation (continued)

"William J. married the only child of Samuel Davis and went to the old Davis homestead to care for the farm and family. He was not of robust constitution and at times not as able to do farm work as to other business. His education was good, he taught a few terms at school and served as town collector satisfactorily. Delia Comins was a noted weaver, having woven 4,000 yards of cloth and 7,000 yards of carpeting in fourteen years." (Elijah Comins Notes 1881)

27.

COOLIDGE COMINS, Jr., (5, 1, E, A), born in Charlton, Mass., April 6, 1803, married Eliza Knowlton on Sept. 30, 1827, died in East Eddington, Me., May 11, 1880.

Children—(126) Alibert K.
(127) Anna E.
(128) Levi B.*
(129) Laura J.
(130) Coolidge M.
(131) Francis S.
(132) Levi B.
* Died in infancy.

28.

BENJAMIN VASSAL COMINS, (5, 1, E, A), born March 23, 1805 at East Eddington, Maine, married Martha E. Sweet on October 4, 1830, died at East Corinth, Me., Jan. 6, 1883.

Children—(133) George S.
(134) Martha S.
(135) Ralph E.

Benjamin V. was Treasurer of Eddington during the Civil War. Late in life he moved to East Corinth.

29.

ELIJAH COMINS, (5, 1, E, A), born January 1, 1807 in East Eddington, Me., married Content C. Sweet on March 24, 1831; died May 19, 1894.

Children—(136) Edward W.
(137) Leander M.
(138) Henry A.
(139) Jerome H.
(140) Elijah Byron

"Elijah was known for his love of books and study, it being his practise during the short term of winter school to sleep in the first part of the night and again in the morning, spending the middle of the night before his father's large fire place when all was quiet in earnest study, thus making rapid progress in his studies for the small amount of schooling received, about ten weeks a year. He taught school in Eddington for eight years. He always lived upon the old homestead caring for his parents in their old age. He held all the town offices and was on the school committee for over twenty years. He was also a member of the Maine Legislature. He was a temperance man and a Universalist. Content Comins was prduent and industrious, made much butter and cheese which commanded a ready market." (Elijah Comins Notes 1881)

The Fifth Generation (continued)

30.

ERASTUS MANSFIELD COMINS, (5, 1, E, A), born Oct. 20, 1811, married Mary Taylor, (39), on Jan. 19, 1835; died April 12, 1890.

Children—(141) Charlotte M. (143) Amelia F.
(142) Charles Wesson

"Erastus M. was a carpenter by trade, and spent many years at that business erecting many buildings in the vicinity of his home. He conducted the village tavern for years, but sold out and went to farming. He was town collector.

31.

MARGARET CAROLINE COMINS, (5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 8, 1813, married Campbell Sweet on Sept. 12, 1836; died April 17, 1873.

Children—(144) Coolidge Comins (147) Margaret G.
(145) Henrietta S. (148) Lotta A.
(146) Bromley C.

32.

COOLIDGE TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), married Desire Vincent, lived in Montpelier, Vermont.

Child—(149) Ambrose

33.

MINDWELL TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), married Charles Comins (20). See No. 20 for descendants.

34.

ORPHA TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), married William Comins (21). See No. 21 for descendants.

HANNAH TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), married John Robinson.

37.

ELIZABETH TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), married Spencer Dodge.

Child—(150) Melissa

38.

PATIENCE AUSTIN TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), married Elon Robinson.

Children—(151) Emily (152) Edward

39.

MARY TAYLOR, (6, 1, E, A), born April 30, 1814. married Erastus M. Comins, (30), on January 19, 1835; died 1900. (See No. 30 for descendants.

THE COMINS FAMILY

The Sixth Generation.

56.

COOLIDGE COMINS, (13, 3, 1, E, A), locally known as "Coolidge in the Hollow," born 1818 in Hadley, Mass., moved to East Eddington. Married, first, Julia Robbins; second, Sarah J. Hill; third, Margaret B. Davis; fourth, Margaret B. Clewley who died in 1912.

57.

SOPHRONIA COMINS, (13, 2, 1, E, A), married Henry Sweet.

58.

JAMES COMINS, (16, 3, 1, E, A), was a dentist and lived in New York, N. Y., married Charlotte Shaw.

Child—(153) Frank

59.

ELECTRA COMINS, (16, 3, 1, E, A), married ——— Brown.

Child—(154) Maude

60.

HARRIET COMINS, (16, 3, 1, E, A), married ——— Simmons.

Children—(155) Nelson (156) Jesse

61.

JAMES COMINS, (17, 3, 1, E, A), married Louisa Kimball.

Children—(157) George (159) Nancy
(158) Mar'a (160) Charles

62.

NANCY COMINS, (17, 3, 1, E, A), married Royal N. Montague.

Children—(161) Alice (164) Jessie
(162) Harriet (165) Mary
(163) Susan

63.

HENRY COMINS, (17, 3, 1, E, A), married Ellen Smith.

Child—(166) William H.

64.

MARTHA COMINS, (17, 3, 1, E, A), married Edward Hibbard.

Children—(167) Martha (169) Charles
(168) Frank (170) Mary

68.

JOHN COMINS, (18, 3, 1, E, A), lived in Battle Creek, Mich.

69.

HERBERT COMINS, (18, 3, 1, E, A), married ——— ———, lived in Greenfield, Mass.

Children—(171) Son (172) Son

The Sixth Generation (continued)

69a.

ALFRED FIELD, (16, 3, 1, E, A), married ——— ———, lives in Leverett, Mass.

Children—(173) Harry A. (175) Mary
(174) Oscar

69b.

BRAINERD FIELD, (16, 3, 1, E, A), lives in Worcester, Mass.

70.

ANGELINE COMINS, (19, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Charles Neally.

Children—(176) Melvin (177) Edward

71.

REDMOND COMINS, (19, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Martha Shepard, moved to Michigan.

72.

LUTHER COMINS, (19, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Miss Bailey, moved to Michigan.

74.

LOUISA COMINS, (19, 4, 1, E, A), married Luke Mills, moved to New York, N. Y.

Children—(178) Myron (179) a son

76.

CORDELIA COMINS, (19, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Samuel Crane, moved to Wisconsin.

81.

ORPAN COMINS, (20), 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Ambrose Sweet.

Children—(181) Albion (185) Flora
(182) Louisa (186) Orpah
(183) Tyler (187) George
(184) Mary

83.

MARY COMINS, (20, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Simeon Kenney, moved to Frankfort, Me.

Children—(188) Abigail (189) Luther

84.

SARAH COMINS, (20, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Oliver Pond,

Children—(191) Anson (192) Lida

85.

ALDEN COMINS, (20, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married Susan Pond.

Children—(193) Charles (195) Cyrus
(194) Wesley

The Sixth Generation (continued)

86.

MARGARET COMINS, (20, 4, 1, E, A), born in Eddington, married William Ward.

Children—(196) Lelia (197) Add

88.

DIANTHA COMINS, (20, 4, 1, E, A), married Edwin Whitcomb.

Child—(198) Adam.

90.

ELON ROBINSON COMINS, (20, 4, 1, E, A), married Miss Woodbury; second, Susan Adams.

Child—(199) Alma

91.

MIRANDA COMINS, (21, 4, 1, E, A), born June 20, 1827, died June 11, 1895, married William Cook.

92.

WILLIAM GRANVILLE COMINS, (21, 4, 1, E, A), born April 26, 1829, died March 6, 1881. Lived on the ridge in Eddington near the Meadowbrook stream. Bachelor.

93.

PATIENCE E. COMINS, (21, 4, 1, E, A), born Jan. 4, 1833; died in 1850.

94.

LAURA LUCRETIA COMINS, (21, 4, 1, E, A), born Jan. 17, 1836; died in Sept. 1914 at East Eddington.

96.

MELVINA COMINS, (22, 4, 1, E, A), married Seth Rowe.

Children—(200) James W. (202) Annie L.
(201) Fred E. (203) Rosamond M.

97.

WALDO COMINS, (22, 4, 1, E, A), married Sybrina Dunning.

Children—(204) Edward (206) Nellie
(205) Edith (207) Fannie

98.

ALONZO COMINS, (22, 4, 1, E, A), married, first, Augusta Mussey; second, Melissa Dodge; third, Abbie Parsons Comins.

Children—(208) Addie (213) Bernice
(209) Nellie (214) Seth
(210) Annie (215) Howard
(211) Herbert (216) Guy (Rich)
(212) Arthur

The Sixth Generation (continued)

99.

MELVIN COMINS, (22, 4, 1, E, A), married Abbie Parsons.
Children—(217) Mabel (220) Rosamund
(218) Agnes (221) John
(219) Inez

101.

EVELYN COMINS, (22, 4, 1, E, A), married Le Roy Rich; died 1915.

102.

ABBIE A. COMINS, (22, 4, 1, E, A), born 1843; married David B. Johnson; died 1901.
Children—(222) Edna (223) Harold

103.

WILLIAM SIBLEY, (23, 4, 1, E, A), bachelor.

104.

SARAH SIBLEY, (23, 4, 1, E, A), married ——— Holyoke.
Child—(224) Add

107.

NANCY SIBLEY, (23, 4, 1, E, A), married ——— Putney.
Children—(225) William (226) Mary Anna

108.

HORACE G. HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born in Holden, Jan. 1824, died Jan. 7, 1877, married Lydia A. Tibbetts, lived in California.

109.

WARREN C. HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born March 2, 1825, married Mary C. Harkness.
Children—(227) Katherine Laura (228) Emma Florence

110.

ELMON C. HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Feb. 4, 1827, died Nov. 5, 1832.

111.

HIRAM FISHER HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Feb. 21, 1828, died June 21, 1902.

112.

CHARLES F. HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Sept. 19, 1829, married Lucy A. Moore.
Children—(229) Mildred K. (230) Charles H.

113.

LEONARD J. HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 23, 1831.

114.

LAURA HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 14, 1833.

115.

BENJAMIN OTIS HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Feb. 27, 1837, died July 9, 1842.

The Sixth Generation (Continued)

116.

THOMAS JEFFERSON HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born April 11, 1834, died Aug. 31, 1881.

117.

CAROLINE COMINS HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born July 5, 1835, married Nathaniel W. Arey, lived in Hampden, Me.

Children—(231) George H. Arey (233) Kate C.
(232) Ralph J.

118.

ALBERT COOLIDGE HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 5, 1840, married Almeda H. Phillips, lives in Holden, Me.

119.

JOHN MANSFIELD HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), born July 20, 1841, married, first, Isabel Ramsey; second, Mary E. Flambeau; lives in Michigan.

Child—(234) Thomas Charles

120.

MIRANDA ANN HART, (25, 5, 1, E, A), maiden, lives in Holden, Me.

122.

CORDELIA D. COMINS, (26, 5, 1, E, A), born April 1, 1828 at East Eddington, Me., married Harry M. Shaw; died Sept.20, 1891.

Children—(235) Emma C. (236) William P.

123.

ALEXANDER BRADFORD COMINS, (26, 5, 1, E, A), born March 28, 1830 at East Eddington; married Sophronia Pond; died Oct. 22, 1857.

Children—(237) Edward (238) Alexander B.

126.

ALBERT K. COMINS, (27, 5, 1, E, A), born Dec. 28, 1828, died April 9, 1884. Married, first, Sarah L. Brewster; second, Julia A. Small.

Children—(239) Albert B. (243) Laura J.
(240) Wilson B. (244) Bradley L.
(241) John S. (245) Roy W.
(242) Albion L.

127.

ANN ELIZA COMINS, (27, 5, 1, E, A), born Sept. 20, 1830, married Ibrook E. Clapp; died Feb. 28, 1863.

Children—(246)Oscar W. (248) Herbert B.
(247) Eliza J. (249) Hadley C.

The Sixth Generation (Continued)

129.

LAURA JANE COMINS, (27, 5, 1, E, A), born April 10, 1834, married Thomas F. Adams.

Children—(205) Gilbert (251) Franklin

130.

COOLIDGE M. COMINS, (27, 5, 1, E, A), born October, 1836.

131.

FRANCIS S. COMINS, (27, 5, 1, E, A), born April 21, 1840, married Margaret A. Fowler.

Children—(252) Fannie J. (254) Edward T.
(253) Alonzo B.

132.

LEVI BRADLEY COMINS, (27, 5, 1, E, A), born June 9, 1842, died March 6, 1873.

133.

GEORGE S. COMINS, (28, 5, 1, E, A), born October 7, 1832, married Anna C. De Beck; died February 20, 1881.

"George S. Comins was a successful teacher in public and high school in early life. He was a man of rare abilities; he was first selectman of Eddington for seven years, also representative in the Legislature. He was a ready speaker and good presiding officer, and was called away by brain fever at a time when a career of great public usefulness seemed open to him."—Elijah Comins Notes, 1881.

134.

RALPH COMINS, (28, 5, 1, E, A), born August 4, 1836, died in Boston.

136.

EDWARD W. COMINS, (29, 5, 1, E, A), born March 25, 1833, died January 25, 1854.

137.

LEANDER W. COMINS, (29, 5, 1, E, A), born December 4, 1834 ,died April 14, 1865; married Nancy J. Fisher, who now lives in San Francisco, Cal.

Children—(255) Minnie E (256) Mary C.

"Leander W. Comins was a lawyer having an office in Lincoln, Me. He enlisted in 1863 ,and was commissioned Second Lieutenant in District of Columbia Cavalry. He died in City Island, Va., from wounds received in battle."

138.

HENRY A. COMINS, (29, 5, 1, E, A), born June 10, 1836, married Amanda M. Statts; lives in Ely, Nev.

Children—(257) Henrietta C. (259) Amanda M.
(258) Charles

The Sixth Generation (Continued)

139.

JEROME H COMINS, (29, 5, 1, E, A), born February 25, 1844, married Ella M. Davis.

Children—(260) Henry E. (261) Jerome Herbert

Jerome H. Comins was a member of the Legislature and has held all town offices.

140.

ELIJAH BYRON COMINS, (29, 5, 1, E, A), born December 5, 1845, married Cordelia F. Lyford, lives in East Eddington, Me.

Children—(262) Everett Lee (264) Maud Anna
(262) Edson Elijah (265) Edith Cordelia

141.

CHARLOTTE M. COMINS, (30, 5, 1, E, A), born March 10, 1836, died March 22, 1874; married George H. Parsons.

Children—(266) Annie E . (268) Josie W.
(267) Addie M.

142.

CHARLES WESSON COMINS, (30, 5, 1, E, A), born November 7, 1840, died November 5, 1913; married Harriet Louise Hill. lived in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Children—(269) Mary (273) Philip B.
(270) Bessie (274) Helen Amelia
(271) Clara (275) Frederic Granville
(272) Algernon B.

(From Bangor "News")

Charles Wesson Comins, son of Erastus M. Comins and Mary Taylor, died in Brooklyn, N. Y., November 5, 1913, aged 73 years.

Mr. Comins was born in East Eddington village in 1840, his grandfather, Coolidge Comins, having settled there before 1810. coming from Charlton, Mass. He received his education in the district school and learned the carpenter's trade. During the war he moved to New York, where he acted as a special officer in the suppression of the draft riots. While in Baltimore about this time he enlisted in the City Guard and saw some service when that city was threatened by the rebel cavalry. Returning to New York he engaged in the roofing business. In 1884 he established in Brooklyn the firm of Comins & Evans, who were for many years the leading house in their line in that city.

Mr. Comins married Harriet Louise Hill of Brooklyn in 1869. who died in 1904, and is survived by two sons, Algernon B., of Brooklyn, Frederic G., of Oakdale, L. I., one daughter, Helen A., wife of W. Burdett O'Connor of Brooklyn, and six grandchildren, Mrs. Welford H. Billings and Mrs. Walter Jenkins of East Edding-

ton, and Mrs. Addie King, wife of Justice Arno King of Maine supreme judical court are his nieces.

Hardly a summer has passed in the last thirty years without Mr. Comins making a visit to his native town, and in the last three years he has spent the summer months at the home of A. Bradford Comins.

Mr. Comins was a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Brooklyn, of the Manufacturers' Association of New York, the Mechanics and Traders Exchange, and the Parkway Driving Club of Brooklyn. In politics he was always a Republican.

He was one of those sturdy, energetic sons of Maine who have left our native soil and gone out to win considerable success in the great metropolis.

143.

AMELIA F. COMINS, (30, 5, 1, E, A), born March 20, 1845, died April 7, 1883; married Wilson Campbell.

Child—(276) Mary Amelia.

144.

COOLIDGE COMINS SWEET, (31, 5, 1, E, A), born August 27, 1837, married Emma Fitts, lives in Holden, Me.

145.

HENRIETTE S. SWEET, (31, 5, 1, E, A), born March 20, 1839, died August, 1814; married William R. Montague.

146.

BROMLEY C. SWEET, (31, 5, 1, E, A), born January 29, 1843, died 1913; married Laura E. Clary.

Children—(277) Edward C. (280) Elmer
(278) Eugene (281) Arthur
(279) Caroline (282) Eleanor

147.

MARGARET C. SWEET, (31, 5, 1, E, A), born June 10, 1845, died June 4, 1889; married G. Wells Frary, lived in Greenfeld, Mass.

Children—(283) George Campbell (284) Grace C.

148.

LETTA A. SWEET, (31, 5, 1, E, A), born May 19, 1856, married Burke F. Graves.

149.

AMBROSE TAYLOR, (32, 6, 1, E, A), married Victoria ——, farmer in Plainfield, Vt.

150.

MELISSA DODGE, (37, 6, 1, E, A), married Alonzo Comins (See No. 98).

151.

EMILY ROBINSON, (38, 6, 1, E, A), married William Safford, lives in Milford, Mass.

Children—(285) Agnes (285b) Alida
(285a) William

152.

EDWARD ROBINSON, (36, 6, 1, E, A), lived in Vermont.

The Seventh Generation

155.

NELSON SIMMONS, (60, 16, 3, 1, E, A), lives in Gill, Mass., married.

Children—(286) Susan (287) Hazel

156.

JESSE SIMMONS, (60, 16, 3, 1, E, A), lives in Gill, Mass., married.

Child—(288) Hollis

157.

GEORGE COMINS, (61, 16, 3, 1, E, A), married Lucy ——.

160.

CHARLES COMINS, (61, 16, 3, 1, E, A), married Edna Phelps, lives in Massachusetts.

Children—(289) Paul Chauncey (295) Olive Gertrude
(290) Grace Marie (296) Arthur Lawrence
(291) Edna Catharine (297) Dorothy Phelps
(292) Mildred Louise (298) James Lester
(293) Esther May (299) Ruby Margaret
(294) Lucia Bell

161.

ALICE MONTAGUE, (61, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married William Tilton, lived in Wyoming.

Children—(300) Hattie (301) Roy

162.

HARRIET MONTAGUE, (62, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married William Penn Griswold, lives in Hadley, Mass.

163.

SUSAN MONTAGUE, (62, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married Willis Holden.

Children—(302) Harry (302) Fannie

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

164.

JESSIE MONTAGUE, (62, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married George Osgood, lives in Holyoke, Mass.

Children—(304) Edwin
(305) Raymond
(306) Pearl
(307) Fayette
(308) Alice

165.

MARY MONTAGUE, (62, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married James Day.

Child—(309) Alice

166.

WILLIAM H. COMINS, (63, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married ——.

Children—(310) Roy
(311) Henry

168.

FRANK HUBBARD, (64, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married Clara Brooks.

Children—(312) Harry
(313) Florence

170

MARY HIBBARD, (64, 17, 3, 1, E, A), married George E. Crafts, lives in Bangor, Me.

Children—(314) Paul Crafts
(315) Laura C
(316) George E.

176.

MELVIN NEALLY, (70, 19, 4, 1, E, A), lives in Brewer, Me.

177.

EDWARD NEALLY, (70, 19, 4, 1, E, A), lives in Brewer, Me.

178.

MYRON MILLS, (74, 19, 4, 1, E, A), lived in New York City.

181.

ALBION SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), born 1842, died 1863, unmarried.

182.

LOUISA SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Martin Jones, lived in East Eddington, Me.

Children—(317) Wesley
(318) Sidney
(319) Frank
(320) Lelia
(321) Helen

183.

TYLER SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Melinda Hughes, lives East Eddington, candidate for member of Maine Legislature in 1914, but defeated.

Child—(322) Edith

184.

MARY SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married William Howe.

Child—(323) Myrtle

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

185.

FLORA M. SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Asbury Ward, lives in East Eddington, Me.

Child—(324) Warren.

186.

ORPAH SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married John Goddell, lives in East Eddington, Me.

Children—(325) Bertha G. (326) Mildred

187.

GEORGE SWEET, (81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Etta Fish, lives in East Eddington, Me.

Children—(327) Willard (329) Forrest
(328) Inez

191.

ANSON POND, (84, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Emma Shaw, (No. 235), lives in East Eddington, Me.

194.

WESLEY COMINS, (85, 20, 4, E, A), married Mabel Ide.

Children—(330) Albert (332) Roy
(331) Susan C.

195.

CYRUS COMINS, (85, 20, 1, E, A), married Ada Eddy.

Children—(333) Geneva (336) Aubrey H.
(334) Avis (337) Neota
(335) Alden

199.

ALMA COMINS, (96, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married J. Albert Leach, lives in East Eddington, Me.

Children—(338) Ernest (340) Ethel
(339) Wilbur (341) Vera

200.

JAMES W. ROWE, (96, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Melissa Howe, died in Great Works, Me.

Children—(342) Leon (343) Bernice

201.

FRED E. ROWE, (96, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Cora Mulholland, lives in Auburn, Me.

Children—(345) Alice (347) Homer
(346) Sherman

202.

ANNIE L. ROWE, (96, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in Bangor, Me.

205.

ROSAMUND M. ROWE, (98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Fred. A. Johnsen, died in Eddington, Me.

Seventh Generation (continued)

207.

FANNIE COMINS, (97, 22, 4, 1, E. A), married G. Gilmore Weld, lives in Old Town, Me.
Children—(347) Waldo (348) Claire

210.

ANNIE COMINS, (98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married, first, Alfonso Marsh; second, John Cass, lives in New Hampshire.
Children—(349) Everett (350) Vera

211.

HERBERT COMINS, (98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Mary White, lives in Old Town, Me.

216.

GUY COMINS RICH, (98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Margaret Page, lives in Eddington, Me.
Children—(351) Marion (352) Howard

217.

MABEL COMINS, (98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married —— Searles, lives in Manchester, N. H.
Child—(353) Robert

218.

AGNES COMINS, (99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married George E. McMahon, lives in Brewer, Me.
Child—(354) Harold

219.

INEZ COMINS, (99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Judson Billings, died at East Eddington, Me.

220.

ROSAMUND COMINS, (99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Harry Davis, lives in Eddington, Me.
Children—(355) Inez (356) Barbara

221.

JOHN COMINS, (99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Susan Hawkes, lives in South Brewer, Me.
Child—(357) Irene

222.

EDNA JOHNSON, (102, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Me.

223.

HAROLD JOHNSON, (102, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Beulah Rich, died at East Eddington, Me.
Children—(358) Stanley (360) Alan
(359) Ernest (361) Francis

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

225.

WILLIAM PUTNEY, (107, 23, 4, 1, E, A), lives in New Hampshire.

226.

MARY ANNA PUTNEY, (107, 23, 4, 1, E, A), lived in New Hampshire.

227.

CATHERINE LAURA HART, (100, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born October 26, 1863; died November 11, 1866.

228.

EMMA FLORENCE HART, (109, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born November 6, 1865.

229.

MILDRED K. HART, (112, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born January 10, 1876.

230.

CHARLES H. HART, (112, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born May 30, 1877.

231.

GEORGE H. AREY, (117, 85, 5, 1, E, A), born November 13, 1866, at Hampden, Me.

232.

RALPH J. AREY, (117, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born August 8, 1868, at Hampden, Me.

233.

KATIE C. AREY, (117, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born July 27, 1874, at Hampden, Me.

234.

THOMAS CHARLES HART, (110, 25, 5, 1, E, A), born June 12, 1877, in Michigan.

255.

EMMA C. SHAW, (122, 26, 5, 1, E, A), born August 5, 1850, married Anson H. Pond, (No. 191), which see.

236.

WILLIAM P. SHAW, (122, 26, 5, 1, E, A), born July 12, 1856, married, first Josie Parsons, (No. 268); second Edith Farnham.

Children—(362) Harry P. (364) Mason
(365) Arno W. (365) Roger

237.

EDWARD B. COMINS, (123, 26, 5, 1, E, A), born September 15, 1855, died June 9, 1876, at East Eddington, Me.

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

238.

ALEXANDER BRADFORD COMINS, JR., (123, 26, 5, 1, E, A), born April 12, 1858, at East Eddington, Me., married Sarah Abigail Hammond.

239.

ALBERT B. COMINS (126, 27, 5, E, A), born March 8, 1861, in Port Huron, Mich, living near Boston.

240.

WILSON B. COMINS, (122, 27, 5, 1, E, A(, born September 19, 1868, in Port Huron, Mich.

241.

JOHN S. COMINS, (126, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born April 4, 1870, in Port Huron, Mich.

242.

ALBION L. COMINS, (126, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born December 2, 1871, at East Saginaw, Mich.

243.

LAURA J. COMINS, (126, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born October 28, 1873, at East Saginaw, Mich.

244.

BRADLEY L. COMINS, (126, 27, 5, 1, E. A), born November 18, 1875, at East Saginaw, Mich.

245.

ROY W. COMINS, (126, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born February 6, 1880, at East Saginaw; died August 17, 1880.

248.

OSCAR W. CLAPP, (127, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born June 10, 1857, married Emma E. Lovelace, lived at South Framingham, Mass.

Child—(366) Etta Blanche

247.

ELIZA J. CLAPP, (127, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born January 27, 1859, married Levi O. Knapp, lived in Bradley.

Child—(287) Oscar B

248.

HERBERT B. CLAPP, (127, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born June 15, 1861.

249.

HADLEY C. CLAPP, (127, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born June 15, 1861.

250.

GILBERT ADAMS, (129, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born December 11, 1858.

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

251.

FRANKLIN ADAMS, (129, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born May 15, 1860.

252.

FANNY J. COMINS, (131, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born June 20, 1870, died May 22, 1876.

253.

ALONZO B. COMINS, (131, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born November 17, 1873.

254.

EDWARD T. COMINS, (131, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born October 3, 1873.

255.

MINNIE E. COMINS, (137, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born October 1, 1861, in Corinna, Me. lives in San Francisco Cal.

256.

MARY C. COMINS, 137, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born September 5, 1863, in Lincoln, Me., married Dower E. Stoddard lives in Merced, Cal.

Children—(368) Mildred (379) Jeanne
(369) Minette (371) Dower Kenneth

256.

HENRIETTA COMINS, (136, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born October 20, 1860, in Empire, Nev.

258.

CHARLES COMINS, (138, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born November 10, 1869, died in Hamilton, Nev., December 16, 1870.

259.

AMANDA M. COMINS, (138, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born October 29, 1872, in Philadelphia, Pa.

260.

HENRY E. COMINS, (139, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born December 26, 1875, at East Eddington, Me., married Mary T. Nickerson, lives in Orrington, Me.

Children—(372) Ella T. (373) Jerome Harris

261.

JEROME HERBERT COMINS, JR., (139, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born March 17, 1890, lives in East Eddington, Me. Selectman of the Town of Eddington.

262.

EVERETT LEE COMINS, (140, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born September 20, 1871, married Mabel Comins.

263.

EDSON E. COMINS, (140, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born October 6, 1874, married Nellie Ross, lives in Brewer, Me.

Child—(374) Rubina

264.

MAUD ANNA COMINS, (140, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born February 16, 1881, lives in East Eddington, Me.

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

265.

EDITH CORDELIA COMINS, (140), 29, 5, 1, E, A), born April 11, 1889, married John Latson, lives in Oak's Corners, New York.

Child—(375) Margaret Edith

166.

ANNIE E. PARSONS, (144, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born September 23, 1855, married Welford H. Billings, lives in East Eddington, Me.

Child—(376) Welford P.

267.

ADDIE M. PARSONS (141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born July 18, 1857, married Arno W. King, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine, lives in Ellsworth, Me.

Children—(377) Grace C.
(378) Robert P.
(379a) Harvey
(379) Margaret
(379b) Arno W.

268.

JOSIE W. PARSONS, (141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born August 8, 1859, married William P. Shaw (No. 256) which see.

260.

MARY COMBINS, (142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born July 9, 1870, in Brooklyn, N. Y. died August 18 1870.

270.

BESSIE COMINS, (142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born November 15, 1871, in Brooklyn, N. Y., died in infancy.

271.

CLARA COMINS, (141, 30, 5,1, E, A), born April 15, 1873, in Brooklyn, N. Y., died July 3, 1873.

272.

ALGERNON BERNARD COMINS (142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Sept. 4, 1874 at East Eddington, Maine; married Eleanor Clark Maass, lives at West New Brighton, New York City.

273.

PHILIP B. COMINS, (142, 30, 8, 1, E, A), born Jan. 22, 1876, at East Eddington, Maine, died May 2, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

274.

HELEN AMELIA COMINS, (142, 30, 5, 1, E, E), born October 7, 1880, at Brooklyn, N. Y., married W. Burdette O'Connor, lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Children—(382) Edith Harriet
(383) Watson Burdette
(384) Roderic Comins
(385) Charles Eugene

275.

FREDERICK GRANVILLE COMINS, (143, 30, 5, 1, E, E), born Sept. 5, 1885, in Brooklyn, N. Y., married Anna Gertrude Weeks, lives near Babylon, N. Y.

Children—(386) Anna Louise
(387) Frederica Gertrude

The Seventh Generation (Continued)

276.

MARY AMELIA CAMPBELL, (143, 30, 5, 1, E. A), born April 6, 1881 at East Eddington, Me., married Walter Jenkins, lives in East Eddington.

Child—(388) Roland Campbell

277.

EDWARD O. SWEET, (146, 31, 5, 1, E. A), born June 2, 1878.

279.

CAROLINE A. SWEET, (146, 31, 5, 1, E. A), born Feb. 14, 1882.

283.

GEORGE CAMPBELL FRARY, (147, 31, 5, 1, E, A), born March 30, 1881, married Miss McMurdy.

285.

AGNES SAFFORD, (153, 38, 6, 1, E, A), married ——— White.

Child—(289) Charles

285a.

WILLIAM SAFFORD, (151, 38, 6, 1, E, A), died in Massachusetts.

285b.

ALIDA SAFFORD, (151, 38, 6, 1, E, A), married William Clark, M. D., lives in Milford, Mass.

Child—(390) William

Eight Generation.

PAUL CRAFTS, (170, 64, 17, 3, 1, E. A), died in Bangor, Maine in 1911.

315.

LAURA C. CRAFTS, (170, 64, 17, 3, 1, E, A), lives in Cumberland Street, Bangor, Maine.

316.

GEORGE E. CRAFTS, Jr., (170, 64, 17, 3, 1, E, A), lives in Cumberland Street, Bangor, Maine.

317.

WESLEY JONES, (182, 81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Mabel Barnes, lives in Montclair, N. J.

Children—(392) Marion (394) Lucille
(393) Adele

318.

SIDNEY JONES, (182, 81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Miss C. Glidden.

322.

EDITH SWEET, (183, 81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Mr. Morrison.

324.

WARREN WARD, (185, 81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Minnie Campbell, lives in Portland, Oregon.

Eighth Generation (continued)

325.

BERTHA G. GOODELL, (186, 81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), married Edward Whitcomb, lives in East Eddington, Maine.

326.

MILDRED GOODELL, (186, 81, 20, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington.

336.

AUBREY H. COMINS, (195, 85, 20, 1, E, A), born August 1896, lives in East Eddington, Maine

338.

ERNEST LEACH, (199, 90, 20, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

339.

WILBUR LEACH, (199, 90, 20, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

340.

ETHEL LEACH, (199, 90, 20, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

341.

VERNA LEACH, (199, 90, 20, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

342.

LEON ROWE, (200, 96, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lived in Bangor, Maine.

343.

BERNICE ROWE, (200, 90, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Josiah Taylor, lives in Bangor Maine.

Children—(395) Donald (396) Rosamund

348.

CLAIRE WELD, (207, 97, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married A. Guy Durgin.

350.

VERA MARSH, (210, 98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), married Leroy Abbey.

351.

MARION RICH, (216, 98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in Eddington, Maine.

352.

HOWARD RICH, (216, 98, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in Eddington Maine.

354.

HAROLD McMAHON, (218, 99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), dentist, married Marion Nelson, lives in Brewer.

355.

INEZ DAVIS, (220, 99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

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Eighth Generation (continued)

356.

BARBARA DAVIS, (220, 99, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

358.

STANLEY JOHNSON, (223, 102, 22, 4, 1, E, A), lives in Brewer, Maine.

362.

HARRY P. SHAW, (236, 122, 26, 5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 22, 1880. Lives in East Eddington, Maine.

363.

ARNO W. SHAW, (236, 122, 26, 5, 1, E, A), born April, 1883, lives in Bangor, Maine.

364.

MASON SHAW, (236, 122, 26, 5, 1, E, A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

365.

ROGER SHAW, (236, 122, 26, 5, 1, E ,A), lives in East Eddington, Maine.

366.

ETTA BLANCHE CLAPP, (246, 127, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born October 21, 1881.

367.

OSCAR B. KNAPP, (247, 127, 27, 5, 1, E, A), born June 17, 1881, lives in Bradley, Maine.

368.

MILDRED COMINS STODDARD, (256, 137, 29, 5, 1, E A), born Feb. 15, 1883, married Gordon H. Winton, lives in Wellington, California.

Child—(397) Gordon H.

369.

MINETTE LEE STODDARD, (256 ,137, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born Feb. 15, 1888, lives in Merced, California.

370.

JEAN STODDARD, (256, 137, 29, 5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 30, 1897, lives in Merced, California.

371.

DOWER KENNETH STODDARD, (256 ,137, 29, 5, 1, E ,A), born Dec. 26, 1898, lives in Merced, California.

372.

ELLA TERESA COMINS, (260, 139, 29, 5, 1, E, A), lives in Orrington, Maine.

373.

JEROME HARRIS COMINS, (260, 137, 29, 5, 1, E, A), lives in Orrington, Maine.

Eighth Generation (continued)

374.

RUBINA COMINS, (263, 140, 29, 5, 1, E, A), lives in Brewer, Maine.

375.

MARGARET EDITH LATSON, (265, 140, 29, 5, 1, E, A), lives in Oak's Corner, N. Y.

376.

WELFORD PARSONS BILLINGS, (266, 141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born 1890, lives in East Eddington, Maine.

377.

GRACE C. KING, (267, 141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Jan. 4, 1886, married Glenn Lawrence, lives in Rockland, Maine.

Children—(398) Ruth (399) Mary Ursala

378.

ROBERT P. KING, (267, 141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born May 29, 1890, lives in Ellsworth, Maine.

379.

MARGARET KING, (267, 141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born November 29, 1894, lives in Ellsworth, Maine.

382.

EDITH HARRIET O'CONNOR, (274, 142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Nov. 9, 1904, lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

383.

WATSON BURDETTE O'CONNOR ,(274, 142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born July 12, 1906, lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

384.

RODERIC COMINS O'CONNOR, (274, 142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Dec. 28, 1907, lives in Brooklyn N. Y.

385.

CHARLES EUGENE O'CONNOR, (274, 142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born June 17, 1909, lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

386.

ANNA LOUISE COMINS, (275, 142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Nov. 14, 1908, lives near Babylon, N. Y.

387.

FREDERICA GERTRUDE COMINS, (275, 142, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Nov. 12, 1911, lives near Babylon, N. Y.

388.

ROLAND CAMPBELL JENKINS, (276, 143, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Dec. 21, 1913, lives at East Eddington, Maine.

Ninth Generation.

398.

RUTH LAWRENCE, (377, 267, 141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Feb. 11, 1911, lives in Rockland, Maine.

399.

MARY URSALA LAWRENCE, (377, 267, 141, 30, 5, 1, E, A), born Feb. 28, 1913, lives in Rockland, Maine.

THE COMINS FAMILY

FROM ELIJAH COMINS MANUSCRIPT WRITTEN IN 1881 WHEN HE WAS 74 YEARS OLD.

"Coolidge Comins was born in Charlton, Mass., March 23, 1770, he was the fourth son of William Comins and Huldah Hammond.

There appears to have been some patriotism as well as military spirit in the family. The father and oldest brother Jonas served in the Revolutionary War; thus assisting in gaining our country's independence.

Subsequently when the younger brothers were still residents of their native town, and when the old miltia system was in its glory and popular and every town had its company these three brothers held the three offices of the Charlton company at the same time, William being captain, James lieutenandt and Coolidge, ensign.

In the last war with England, when they sent their troops up the Penobscot and men were called to repel them he volunteered and with musket in hand went as far as Hampden to meet the enemy. On the retreat as our men were crossing the river at Reed's Ferry, a barge filled with the British came in sight around a turn in the river. The enemy opened fire with a six pounder and the Eddington men beat a hasty retreat into the woods, where it was suggested by Comins that they stand and fire back, however as the enemy were in force, it was feared if their fire was returned, they might follow and devastrate the eastern side of the river so it was decided to return home.

Coolidge Comins married Margaret Mansfield, who was born in Boston, Mass., March 25, 1775, it was a time of great deprivation and suffering in consequence of the town's being garrisoned by the British troops under General Gage, in less than one month the memorable march to Concord and Lexington took place.

John Mansfield, the father of Margaret was killed at Bunker Hill, and her mother, Katherine Ryan of Leicester was left with her and an older sister Eleanor to care for. The family moved to Oxford, Mass., and subsequently Katherine Mansfield married Benjamin Vassal ,a cabinet maker and possessed of a good hime. He had two sons and all the children grew up as one family. Margaret always spoke in high esteem of her step-father. Eleanor Mansfield married a Mr. Gulley and moved to Addison, Vermont. One of the Vassal brothers never married. but Benjamin Vassal, Jr. married an done grandson is now living (1881)."

"These ancestors Coolidge Comins and wife moved to a log house in Jarvis Gore, now East Eddington, Maine in June 1803, with three small children. Their nearest neighbor was two and one half miles distant, but others soon came in, their house contained one living room with two small living bed rooms at one end. The other end had a large stone fireplace with wooden mantelpiece and chimney, topped out with cat and clay (cat and clay means cedar slats split two inches wide and half an inch thick, laid cob-house fashion in clay mortar and plastered inside and out with the same kind of mortar). By untiring industry and perseverence they soon attained a comfortable home with a better house, which they were always ready to share with the needy.

There house was always a home for traveling ministers of all denominations; also for Indans who roamed through the native forests, many of whom were fed and sheltered under their hospitable roof. The greatest need was want of schools but this was in part remedied by the aptness of the mother who having taught school for a few terms in her native state, used her talent to instruct her own children; teaching them the rudiments of an education long before they were inside a school room. In after years they united with others and supported some private schools, but subsequently in 1823 they were annexed to Eddington, when they had town schools for the younger children.

Coolidge held several offices in town * * * and was ever known in all the vicinity for his strict integrity and honesty in speech and purpose.

A few circumstances have been remembered which will illustrate the generosity of his character. The year 1816 has since been known as the cold season, snow fell all day June 6th and many spring birds died from cold and hunger. And in the fall there was snow again and hard frosts in September. Corn was entirely cut off and other grain much damaged, except winter rye which was good, and was the main article for bread. But some the next spring had not that, and not anything to buy with. That was the case of a poor man with a large family, living four or five miles distant. He had a promising piece of winter rye that would be ready to cut early in August, but no bread or no prospects ahead but his rye field. Under these circumstances his wife who was quite energetic started with horse and boy, a lad of ten years, to borrow some rye offering five pecks for a bushel and pay as soon as they could get

some new rye threshed . They tried in various places without success, until they came to Coolidge Comins, he heard their request and having some rye, immediately measured up what the horse could carry and they went home rejoicing in their good luck. As soon as their new crop was off they sent the same boy with the rye to pay five pecks for the bushel, but Mr. Comins would only take the amount they had had.

At a later time one of his neighbors thought to better himself by changing his situation; there was a place for sale, and in order for him to secure it, it was necessary for him to hire $100, he found a man who would let him the money, if he could get Mr. Comin's to sign with him He offered Mr. Comins if he would sign a Warantee deed of his old place, valued at $300., as security. It was agreed that the deed was not to be recorded, unless Mr. Comin's had to pay the $100., and if he did the place was to be his. The money was obtained, the place secured and the neighber moved onto the new place; but the soil was not paid for, the man sickened and died without paying either the note or for the soil.

Mr. Comins had the note to pay to secure himself the deed recorded. But the widow with five children was liable to be turned out of the new home unless she raised $300 a sum which she had no means of paying. Mr. Comins told her he would keep the old place and pay her $200 more, making $300 which was all her husband had asked for it. Thus the widow was enabled to pay up for the new place, get a deed and secure a place for herself and the children while they lived and their desedants are now on the place.

In religious belief Coolidge was trained in the old fashioned puritan Congregationalism and his wife was an Episcopalian. They however made no open profession of religion, until past middle life, when they both joined the Universalist Church, and lived and died firm believers in the doctrine of universal salvation."

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